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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 1296**
Toshiaki TAKEZAWA et al. : Docket No. 2001-1784A
Serial No. 09/980,246 : Group Art Unit 1651
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TISSUE SECTION-CONTAINING
CARRIER FOR CULTURE OF ANIMAL
CELLS, AND METHOD OF USING THE
CARRIER FOR CULTURE AND
TRANSPLANTATION OF
ANIMAL CELLS :

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 16, 2004, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a tissue section-containing carrier for culture of animal cells.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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